

Whitby Rural District



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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
WHITBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Madam, and Gentlemen,

It seems odd in a district with as clear an atmosphere as that of the Whitby Rural District, and where the mist which sometimes descends on the hills or shrouds the sea coasts lacks the choking quality associated with a town fog, to refer to air pollution as something affecting the inhabitants' health. Nevertheless, the distribution of deaths from bronchitis within the district suggests that air pollution contributes to these deaths. A table is included in the body of this report which shows that between the coastal villages on the one hand and the Eskdale and Moorland Parishes on the other, there is a great difference in the number of deaths from bronchitis, and hence in the death rate from that disease. The distribution also suggests that Tees-side industry affects these rates as parishes in the north-east of the district show a heavier death rate from this cause than those further away.

I am,

Yours obediently,

B. SCHROEDER,

Medical Officer of Health.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY, 1964.

Name.	Qualifications.	Office held.	Whole or part time.	Other Public. Offices held.
B. SCHROEDER	M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.	Medical Officer of Health.	Whole.	Medical Officer of Health Whitby U.D.C. Assistant County Medical Officer, N.R.C.C.
F. J. THOMPSON	M.R.S.H.	Chief Public Health Inspector.	Whole.	
A. H. GILL	M.R.S.H.	Additional Public Health Inspector.	Whole.	

STATISTICS AND LOCAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Population—

Registrar-General's Estimate, mid-1964	11,470
Rateable Value at 1st April, 1965	£248,421
Sum represented by a Penny Rate, 1964-65 ..	£954

VITAL STATISTICS.

	Male	Female	Total
Live Births—Legitimate	70	76	146
Illegitimate	4	2	6
	—	—	—
Totals	74	78	152
	—	—	—

Crude Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population	13.3
Corrected Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population ...	16.8
Birth Rate per 1,000 estimated population, England and Wales	18.4

	Male	Female	Total
Still Births—Legitimate	1	1	2
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	1	1	2
	—	—	—

Still Birth Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	12.9
Still Birth Rate per 1,000 total live and still births, England and Wales	16.3

Deaths of Infants under one year—

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	0	1
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	1	0	1
	—	—	—

Death Rate of Infants under 1 year per 1,000 live births	6.6
Death Rate of Infants under 1 year per 1,000 live births, England and Wales	20.0

Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks old—

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	0	1
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	1	0	1
	—	—	—

Deaths of Infants under 1 week old—

	Male	Female	Total
Legitimate	1	0	1
Illegitimate	0	0	0
	—	—	—
Totals	1	0	1
	—	—	—

	Male	Female	Total
Deaths	76	79	155
Crude Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population			13.5
Corrected Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population			11.2
Death Rate per 1,000 estimated population, England and Wales			11.3

COMMENT ON VITAL STATISTICS.

The infant death rate, which was poor last year, is favourable this year in common with other rates shown in the above tables.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

(Other than Tuberculosis).

Infectious diseases were notified as follows :—

Measles	47
Whooping Cough	19
Pneumonia	1
Scarlet Fever	1

TUBERCULOSIS, 1964.

During the year 3 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis, 2 males and 1 female, were notified. 2 cases of non-pulmonary tuberculosis, 1 male and 1 female, were also notified.

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1964—FEMALES.

Cause of Death.	Age in Years										75 & Total over All Ages	
	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year	1—	5—	15—	25—	35—	45—	55—	65—		
Syphilitic Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	1	4
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	1	—	3
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	—	2	4
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	4
Diabetes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	7	13	22
Coronary Disease, Angina	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	9	5	14
Hypertension with Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	9	11
Other Circulatory Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3
Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other Defined and Ill-defined Diseases ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	2	5
Motor Vehicle Accidents	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Total—All causes	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	5	25	46	79

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1964—MALES.

Cause of Death.	Age in Years										75 & over	Total All Ages
	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year	1—	5—	15—	25—	35—	45—	55—	65—		
Infective and Parasitic Diseases	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	2
Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	5	—	8
Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	3	8	14
Coronary Disease, Angina	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	7	5	7	21
Hypertension with Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1
Other Heart Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	4	7	13
Other Circulatory Disease	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1
Pneumonia	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	2	5
Bronchitis	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	1	1	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Other Defined and Ill-defined Diseases ...	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2
Motor Vehicle Accidents	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
All other Accidents	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	2
Total—All causes	1	—	1	—	1	—	—	5	19	19	30	76

MASS RADIOGRAPHY SURVEY— ATTENDANCE IN OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS, 1964.

	Public Sessions		Industrial		Hospital Management Committee		Mantoux Positive		Food and Drink Trades		Total		Grand Total
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
Castleton	38	44	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	38	46	84
Glaisdale	19	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	23	42
Whitby	279	296	101	118	2	19	9	6	—	1	391	440	831
Grand Totals...	336	363	101	118	2	19	9	8	—	1	448	509	957

ABNORMALITIES DETECTED.

	Active Respiratory Tuberculosis		Inactive Tuberculosis		Pneumoconiosis		Intrathoracic New Growths		Other Abnormalities	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Castleton	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Glaisdale	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Whitby	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	6	2
Totals	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	6	2

DEATHS FROM BRONCHITIS 1953—1964.

	Population		Deaths from Bronchitis		Death rate from Bronchitis expressed as a percentage of that for whole Rural District	
	1961 Census		Male	Female	Male	Female
Whole Rural District ...	11,367		43	28	100	100
Coastal Parishes—						
Barnby, Ellerby, Lythe, Mickleby, Hinderwell ...	3,377		23	11	180	130
Upper Eskdale—						
Commondale, D a n b y, Westerdale	1,439		6	3	125	85
East Side of Lower Esk—						
Eskdaleside, Goathland, Hawsker, Sneaton	2,670		9	7	90	105
Fylingdales	1,351		2	5	40	140
Central Eskdale & Ridge to north of Esk—						
Egton, Glaisdale, Aislaby Borrowby, Hutton Mul- grave, Newholm, Newton Mulgrave, Roxby, Ug- thorpe	2,530		3	2	30	35

HOSPITALS.

The Hospitals in Whitby are administered by the Scarborough, Bridlington, Malton and Whitby Group Hospital Management Committee :—

(1) WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

A General Hospital with an Out-patient Department.

(2) ST. HILDA'S HOSPITAL.

Specially equipped for the care of the aged sick.

(3) ESKDALE HOSPITAL.

A General Hospital with a Maternity Ward.

HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Scarborough and Middlesbrough Infectious Diseases Hospitals are available for the admission of cases requiring isolation.

Special arrangements are made for cases of Poliomyelitis.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED IN THE AREA BY THE NORTH RIDING COUNTY COUNCIL.

Care of Mothers and Young Children.

Infant Welfare Centres are held as follows :—

Grape Lane Whitby,

Each Tuesday, 2.0—4.0 p.m.

Women's Institute, Hinderwell :

Alternate Thursdays, 2.0—4.0 p.m.

Temperance Hall, Castleton :

Third Wednesday each month, 2.15—4.15 p.m.

Nelson Memorial Hall, Lealholm :

Second Friday each month, 2.0—4.0 p.m.

The Institute, Sleights :

Third Monday each month, 2.0—4.0 p.m.

The Ante-Natal Clinic at Grape Lane, Whitby, is held each Wednesday, from 2 to 4 p.m.

When required, patients attending Centres and Clinics may be referred to the following special clinics, also held at Grape Lane, Whitby.

Orthopaedic Clinic

Dental Clinic.

Artificial Sunlight Clinic.

Eye Clinic.

Speech Therapy Clinic.

Child Guidance Clinic.

Home Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting.

For the purpose of these services, Whitby Rural District is divided into nursing areas as follows :—

Area.	Nurse's Name and Address.	Tel. No.
Danby and Castleton	MISS M. PHILLIPS, Piper Cottage, Castleton.	Castleton 400.
Glaisdale	MRS. M. JAGGAR, "Honey Bee Nest," Glaisdale.	Glaisdale 257.
Goathland, Grosmont and Sleights	MISS M. ALTON, 2a, Birch Avenue, Sleights.	Sleights 471.
Hinderwell and Staithes	MRS. E. LONGSTER, 48, Seaton Crescent, Staithes.	Hinderwell 246.
Lythe	MRS. N. JACKSON, Nurse's House, Lythe.	Sandsend 273.
Fylingdales	MISS M. SMITH, 14, Middlewood Close, Fylingthorpe.	R.H.B. 367.
Midwifery Only. Fylingdales	MISS W. BRETHERICK 10b, Well Close Square, Whitby.	Whitby 963.

When called for by the family doctor, the District Nurse will attend persons who require nursing in their own homes. In case of difficulty messages for district nurses can be left at the District Health Office, Grape Lane, Whitby (Tel. No. Whitby 520).

The duties of Health Visitors include the visiting of homes for the purpose of giving advice as to the care of young children. It is their duty to visit every home where there is a child below school age, so that the mother may be encouraged to discuss even the most trivial worry with the Health Visitor, who may then reassure her or get her to seek expert advice.

In addition, they visit and advise expectant or nursing mothers, persons suffering from illness, including tuberculosis, and aged persons.

Vaccination and Immunisation.

During the year under review the number of vaccinations and immunisations reported to have been carried out in the combined area, Whitby Urban and Rural districts, were as follows :—

	Poliomyelitis	Diphtheria	Smallpox	Whooping Cough	B.C.G.
Primary	426	254	141	237	162
Boosters	326	134	31	—	—

Vaccinations and immunisations against Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Smallpox and Whooping Cough were done by family doctors, or at the infant welfare centres. In addition, it has been routine practice during the year for Dr. Binns and I to offer boosters to schoolchildren, as follows :—

Poliomyelitis.—On school entry.

Diphtheria.—During second year at school.

Smallpox.—During third year at school.

Routine tuberculin testing of 13 year olds is undertaken by the School Health Service in the Whitby area, and of those showing negative reaction to the skin test 162 were given B.C.G. vaccination. Positive reactors were referred to the Mass Radiography Unit.

Ambulance Service.

Two large ambulances and one light ambulance (utilicon) are housed in a garage off Stakesby Road, Whitby.

Escort duties in the ambulance service have been undertaken by members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the British Red Cross Society.

Domestic Help Service.

Helps are provided when necessary, and 39 cases in the Rural District received assistance during 1964.

Payment for the service of a domestic help depends on income and necessary expenses, and varies from a possible full rate of 4s. 4d. an hour to a free service.

Mental Health Services.

The Mental Health Services are administered direct by the County Council. The Duly Authorised Officers for the area operate from Northway, Scarborough. Tel. Scarborough 63366.

Welfare Services.

The office of the District Welfare Officer, who sees to the welfare of old people, is at Grape Lane, Whitby. Tel. No. Whitby 235.

Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care.

An active Voluntary Care Committee serves the needs of the area, its chief functions being to provide extra nourishment, clothing, bedding, medical comforts, nursing equipment, etc., and to do everything possible for the welfare of sick persons.

The Secretary of the Care Committee, Mr. K. Birdsall, has kindly prepared the following extract from his Annual Report :—

During the year ended 31st March, 1965, the following items of assistance have been given :—

Tuberculosis.

One patient provided with warm underclothing. (Additional clothing provided by arrangement with W.V.S.)

One patient received extra nourishment consisting of three jars Bovril.

Other Illnesses.

Travelling expenses paid to relatives of 5 patients in hospitals (Leeds and Scarborough)—aggregate 23 occasions.

Shoes provided for child suffering from after-effects of poliomyelitis—three pairs, odd sizes.

Grant made to pay cost of 1 pair Surgical Boots.

Balloons provided for child ordered breathing exercises.

Slippers provided for hospital patient.

Five patients received extra nourishment, consisting of 4 jars Bovril, 12 packets Complian.

Incontinent Patients.

A patient has been provided with two pairs of protective pants and a regular supply of the special interliners, 9 cartons of 100 in all.

Equipment Loaned Out.

Air Rings	14
Bed Blocks	5
Bed Cradles	10
Bed Rests	21
Bedpans and Urinals	54
Commodes	8
Crutches	4
Douches	2
Dunlopillo Mattresses	6
Feeding Cups	2
Hospital bed	1
Lifting Chair	2
Rubber Sheets	36
Walking Aids	4
Wheelchairs	18

Meals Service.

The "Meals on Wheels" service distributed 2,899 meals during the year, as compared with 2,352 meals during the previous year. This service is most capably organised and staffed by the Women's Voluntary Services, and is financed almost wholly by the Care Committee. In conjunction with such County services as home nursing, home helps, health visiting, etc., it enables many old people to remain at home who would otherwise need to enter a hospital or old people's home.

Chiropody Service.

During the year three chiropodists have participated in the scheme. Treatment is offered to the following classes on the recommendation of the family doctor :

- Men over 65 years old.
- Women over 60 years old.
- Physically handicapped persons.
- Persons with mental illness.
- Expectant mothers.

475 patients received treatment, compared with 419 in the previous year. A total of 3,635 treatments were given, compared with 2,569 in the previous year. The treatments were effected as follows :—

At Chiropodists' surgeries	2,830
At Clinic sessions—Whitby	510
Glaisdale	73
At Patients' homes	222

It is interesting to note that only five years ago the comparable annual figures were 133 patients, 1,054 treatments.

No mention was made in last year's report of the commencement, in July, 1963, of clinic sessions at Glaisdale, most regrettable, as consequently no mention was made of the kindness of the Vicar, the Rev. J. F. Shreeve, who made accommodation available without charge for this purpose. 10 sessions were held during the year under review and 13 patients had a total of 73 treatments.

Harvest Festival Produce.

Eggs from the Harvest Festival at Goathland Church were sent to me for distribution among elderly sick people. We were grateful for the kind thought, and to the District Nurse for distributing them.

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1964

TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE
WHITBY RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mr. Chairman, Miss Ostergard and Gentlemen,

I present my Annual Report on the Sanitary Circumstances of the District and on the work of the Public Health Inspector's Department for the year 1964.

All 22 parishes have a mains water supply which is owned by the Scarborough Corporation, and 88% of the houses are connected to these water mains, the remainder being on private supplies. The programme of mains renewals and extensions was continued by the Scarborough Corporation during the year. In spite of the exceptionally low rainfall, no part of the district on mains supply was without water.

The Hawsker sewerage scheme and the combined scheme for Castleton, Ainthorpe and Danby were completed during the year. Other sewerage schemes are in course of preparation. As a result of the sewerage programme a record number of 106 dry closets were converted to water closets.

A full-time mobile attendant was appointed to look after the seven public conveniences in the central area of the district, and to clear litter from car parks and lay-bys. The litter problem seems to increase in proportion to the number of road users and reaches a serious level at the height of the holiday season. It is not a practical proposition to provide litter baskets along the hundreds of miles of roadside verges in the district, but there is no excuse for the motorist who leaves his picnic rubbish behind because he has the transport to take it home with him. The thoughtless few spoil the district for everyone.

A considerable amount of housing improvement work has again been done under the grant schemes. 95 houses were improved with the aid of Improvement Grants, making a total of 519 houses improved since the inception of the grant schemes, or over 11% of all houses in the district. £98,716 has been spent on Improvement Grants so far. 24 new houses were built by the Council and 25 by private enterprise. 2 unfit houses were demolished.

Applications for Council houses increased by 62 to 243 at the end of the year. 92 of these applications were from outside the Council's district. The current building programme of 139 houses at Grosmont, Sleights, Stainsacre and Staithes should go a long way to meet local needs.

Meat inspection continued to take up much of your Inspectors' time and the number of animals slaughtered was a record. One hundred per cent. meat inspection is only achieved at the expense of your Inspectors' leisure time as slaughtering at Egton Slaughterhouse occurs on one or two evenings per week, and at weekends, in addition to slaughtering during the day.

I am,

Your Obedient Servant,

F. J. THOMPSON

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA. WATER SUPPLY.

General.

All of the twenty-two parishes in the District have a piped water supply and approximately 580 properties only are without a mains water supply. Most of these properties are isolated houses and farms which cannot be supplied from the mains because of contours or distance, and in most of these cases there are individual supplies piped from springs.

Owing to the very low rainfall during the year, the quantity of water available from existing sources was much below normal. The rainfall at Westerdale was about 22 inches, as against a normal average rainfall of 35 inches per annum. Only the new reservoirs and trunk mains, recently commissioned, enabled the water available to be routed to where it was most required, and saved the area from serious shortages. An appeal for water economy was launched by the Scarborough Corporation's Water Department on the 14th July 1964 and this continued until the 16th October 1964, although the shortages lasted until the last few days of the year.

Towards the end of the summer the main springs at Westerdale were yielding 80,000 gallons per day less than normal, but at no time was any part of the district without water, excepting a few occasions which were due to lack of mains capacity, and plans were immediately implemented to rectify the position in each case.

The quality of the water during the year tended to be slightly better than usual due to the lack of storms which produce water with a heavy sediment and discolouration, and thus treatment at Westerdale Filter House did not produce any great difficulties.

The report on water supplies in the area has been compiled with the aid of the Scarborough Corporation's Water Engineer and Manager, Mr. H. South.

Renewals and Extensions.

The following mains were laid on the district either to boost existing supplies or as renewals or extensions to existing mains :—

	£
Sleights to Robin Hood's Bay, 1518 yards, 4in., 6in. and 8in. dia. main at a cost of	5,645
Hinderwell to Staithes, 1113 yards 6in. dia. main at a cost of	3,072

Mount Pleasant, R.H. Bay, 683 yards 4in. and 6in. dia. main at a cost of	2,984
New Housing Estate, Sleights, 795 yards 3in. and 4in. dia. main at a cost of	1,784
New Housing Estate, Staithes, 585 yards 3in. and 4in. dia. main at a cost of	809
Ellerby, 240 yards 4in. dia. main at a cost of	650
East Barnby, 181 yards 3in. dia. main at a cost of ...	462
Blue Bank, Sleights, 40 yards 3in. dia. main at a cost of	207

Water Schemes owned by Scarborough Corporation.

The Regional water scheme supplies Aislaby, Borrowby, Castleton, Danby, Dunsley, East and West Barnby, Egton, Egton Bridge, Ellerby, Fylingthorpe, Goldsborough, Grosmont, Glaisdale, Hawsker, Hinderwell, Houltsyke, Hutton Mulgrave, Iburndale, Kettleness, Lealholm, Lythe, Mickleby, Newholm, Newton Mulgrave, Raw, Robin Hood's Bay, Roxby, Runswick Bay, Sandsend, Scaling, Sneaton, Stainsacre, Sleights, Staithes, Ugglebarnby and Ugthorpe.

Privately-owned Water Schemes.

Westerdale and Esk Valley.

Piped Supplies to Dwellinghouses.

Fortyseven new houses and twenty-one existing houses were connected to the Scarborough Corporation's water mains during the year, and at the end of the year 4107 houses were on main water supplies, either privately or publicly owned, representing about 87% of the total number of houses in the district. The remainder (583) are mostly isolated houses and farms which have their own private supplies. Only a very small number of houses in the district are supplied by standpipe. The 1961 Census showed that only 130 occupied houses did not have an internal cold water supply.

Water Samples.

One-hundred-and-fifty-four samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination as follows. The samples, which were all from the public supplies, were mainly taken by the Scarborough Corporation.

No samples were taken from private supplies and no new private schemes were contemplated or reported.

	Satis- factory.	Unsatis- factory.
Public supplies owned by Scarborough Corporation	147	7

Only seven unsatisfactory samples were taken during the year and in no case was a second sample unsatisfactory.

The principal supplies in the Rural District, i.e. the Regional Scheme, Goathland Water Scheme and Randymere Reservoir supply, are all chlorinated. The Regional Scheme and Goathland Scheme water is subject to filtration and treated to counteract possible plumbo-solvency.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

New Schemes.

The following schemes of sewerage were completed during the year :—

Village	Description of Work	Contract Price
Ainthorpe, Danby and Castleton (combined scheme)	4396 yds. 6in. dia. pipes 527 yds. 9in. dia. pipes 451 yds. 4in. dia. pipes with sewage works and pumping station.	£33,399.19.10
Hawsker	3277 yds. 6in. dia. pipes with sewage works.	£14,737.15.5.

No new sewerage schemes were commenced during the year but the Engineer and Surveyor, Mr. G. Leach, was preparing schemes for the last few main villages in the district, i.e. Botton Village, Commondale, Esk Valley, Lealholm, Sneaton and Westerdale. When these have been sewered there will only be a few hamlets requiring small plants, none of which will have to serve more than fifteen to twenty houses.

Eighty-eight houses were connected to sewers during the year. Of the 4690 houses in the district, 3215 are connected to sewers.

General.

The position regarding the sewerage of the various villages at the end of the year is as shown in the following tables.

Villages Properly Sewered (26).

Aislaby, Sleights, Iburndale	Combined scheme, sewage treatment works.
Ainthorpe, Castleton, Danby	Combined scheme, sewage treatment works.
East Barnby	Sewage treatment works.
Egton and Egton Bridge ...	Combined scheme, sewage treatment works.
Runswick Bay, Ellerby, Port Mulgrave	Combined scheme, sea outfall.
Glaisdale	Sewage treatment works.
Goathland	Three separate schemes, all with sewage treatment works.
Grosmont	Sewage treatment works.
Hawsker	Sewage treatment works.
Dalehouse, Hinderwell and Staithes	Combined scheme, sea outfall.
Newholm	Sewage treatment works.
Robin Hood's Bay and Fylingthorpe	Combined scheme, sea outfall.
Sandsend and Lythe	Combined scheme, sea outfall.
Stainsacre	Sewage treatment works.
Ugthorpe	Sewage treatment works.

Village Needing Re-Sewering (1).

Mickleby.

Villages Needing Sewering (4).

Commondale, Lealholm, Sneaton and Westerdale.

Small Villages whose Sewering could be considered after those listed above have been dealt with (16).

Beckhole, Borrowby, Dunsley, Golden Grove, Goldsborough, Green End, Houlisyke, Kettleness, Littlebeck, Raw, Roxby, Ruswarp, Scaling, Stonegate, Ugglebarnby, West Barnby.

In addition to the above schemes, the new village being formed at Botton Hall Estate, Danby, by the Camphill Village Trust, needs sewerage, and the sewage plant serving Esk Valley, Grosmont, needs renewing.

Closet Accommodation.

A record number of 106 conversions of dry closets to water closets was made during the year. The majority of these conversions were made with the aid of Improvement Grants and the provision of new sewers. The Council make a grant of £5 towards the conversion of earth closets to water closets, if these are not already grant-aided.

Number of dry closets converted to W.C.s	106
Number of houses with W.C.s	4199
Number of houses with dry closets	494

PUBLIC CLEANSING.

Refuse Collection Service.

This work is carried out by direct labour, three lorries and 11 men being employed. The service undertakes the emptying of dustbins and dry closets in all villages.

The district covers an area of 178 square miles and the population is spread over 52 villages and hamlets, and as the main villages all have a weekly collection of refuse, the service can be considered to be a very good one.

The cost of refuse collection and disposal for the year ended 31st March 1965 was £10,968, equivalent to a rate of 11.13d. in the £.

All the villages and hamlets in the district have a collection of refuse of a frequency as stated below :—

Weekly Collection (30 Villages).

Ainthorpe, Aislaby, Castleton, Commondale, Danby, Egton, Egton Bridge, Glaisdale, Goathland, Grosmont, Hawsker, Hinderwell, Houlseyke, Iburndale, Lealholm, Lythe, Newholm, Port Mulgrave, Robin Hood's Bay, Runswick Bay, Ruswarp, Sandsend, Sleights, Sneaton, Stainsacre, Staithes, Stonegate, Thorpe, Ugglebarnby, Westerdale.

Fortnightly Collection (22 Villages).

Barnby East and West, Beckhole, Borrowby, Dalehouse, Dunsley, Ellerby, Esk Valley, Golden Grove, Goldsborough, Green End, Kettleness, Littlebeck, Flask Inn, Fryup, Fyling Hall, Mickleyby, Newton Mulgrave, Raw, Roxby, Scaling, Ugthorpe.

Refuse Disposal.

The bulk of the refuse is disposed of by tipping in two quarries, one man being employed full time on one tip and one part-time on the other tip. A small proportion of the refuse, about 2%, was dealt with at the refuse disposal works of the Whitby Urban District Council. The proportion of refuse disposed of at each place is shown below :—

Mickleby Tip	635 loads
Goathland Tip	301 loads
Whitby U.D.C.	17 loads
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	953 loads.
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Septic Tank Emptying.

One-hundred-and-forty-three privately-owned and twenty-two Council septic tanks were emptied during the year, amounting to 195 750-gallon loads. A charge of £1 per load is made for emptying domestic tanks, and £3 for the first load, £2 for subsequent loads, for emptying tanks at farms and business premises.

Salvage.

Salvage work is undertaken in conjunction with the collection and disposal of refuse. The following table shows the weight and value of the various items of salvage sold during the year :—

Material	Weight				Value		
	T.	C.	Qr.	Lb.	£	s.	d.
Wastepaper	31	1	0	0	217	8	9
Scrap Metal					5	0	0
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					£222	8	9
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Street Sweeping.

This is carried out by the Council's workmen at Staithes, Hinderwell, Runswick Bay and Robin Hood's Bay. Regular sweeping must be carried out during the season because of the day trippers and motorists frequenting these seaside villages. Even though litter baskets are provided on a more liberal scale each year, the litter problem becomes more and more acute.

Public Conveniences.

The Council owns and maintains Public Conveniences at Castleton, Danby, Egton, Egton Bridge, Fylingthorpe, Glaisdale, Hinderwell, Lealholm, Robin Hood's Bay (2), Runswick Bay, Sleights and Staithes (2). There are Public Conveniences at Sandsend and East Row owned by the Mulgrave Estate, but administered and cleansed by the Council.

A full-time mobile attendant was appointed during the year to look after the 7 public conveniences in the central area of the district. About half of this man's time is spent clearing litter from car parks and lay-bys during the holiday season.

HOUSING.

The statistics compiled from the Rural Housing Survey completed in 1949 are kept up to date as far as possible and additional information added each year. Most of the properties which have not been inspected are agricultural dwellings and larger type houses. The position at the end of the year is shown in the following tables:—

No.of Houses Surveyed	Classification			
	1	2	3	5
4216	1540	1043	1456	177

Notes on Classification :

- Class 1 — Houses fit in all respects.
- Class 2 — Houses requiring minor repairs.
- Class 3 — Houses where structural repairs or alterations are required.
- Class 5—Houses not capable of being rendered fit at a reasonable expense.

DETAILS OF SANITATION.

No. of Houses surveyed	No. without Internal water supply	No. without Scullery sinks	No with W.C.s	No. with Dry Closets	No. without Baths
4216 (2956)	95 (625)	200 (568)	3764 (1829)	462 (1101)	1181 (1673)

The figures in brackets show the position when the survey was completed in 1949 and indicate that there has been a slow but steady improvement in the sanitation of the houses generally since then. The number of houses without internal water supply, sinks, baths and water closets is being rapidly reduced through the aid of Improvement Grants and the installation of new sewerage schemes.

Unfit Houses.

There were 177 Class V houses at the end of the year, compared with 181 at the end of 1963. Many of these Class V houses are used only for holiday or weekend purposes and a number are being reconditioned with the aid of Improvement Grants. With the large number of houses being erected in the near future by the Council it is hoped to deal with the Slum Clearance programme at a quicker rate.

Demolitions and Closures.

The following houses were demolished during the year :—

Elm Tree Farm Cottage, Sleights.

Woodall House, Castleton.

Repairs and Improvements.

Fifty-seven houses were improved with the aid of Discretionary Improvement Grants and 38 houses were improved with the aid of Standard Improvement Grants, as against 51 and 18 respectively in 1963.

A total of 434 houses have now been improved with the aid of Discretionary Improvement Grants at a cost of £90,995 16s. 8d., or an average cost of £209 13s. 4d., while a further 82 houses have been improved with Standard Grants at a cost of £7,720 2s. 10d., or an average cost of £94 2s. 10d. per house.

In the case of Discretionary Improvement Grants the Council pays the maximum possible grant of fifty per cent. in each approved case, subject to the statutory limit of £400.

Of the 95 houses improved during the year, 61 were owner/occupied houses and 34 tenanted houses.

Movable Dwellings.

There are 66 licensed Caravan Sites in the area, accommodating a maximum number of 688 caravans. Of these sites, 23 have 6 or more caravans stationed on the site.

During 1964 there were no complaints received in regard to any individual caravans or nuisances on the caravan sites. The majority of sites have now been improved to the standard laid down by the Council, and on all sites with more than 6 caravans, water closets, showers and sinks have been provided. Generally, the Site Operators have

been very co-operative, and difficulties have been amicably overcome. The demand for caravan holidays continues to increase and it was found necessary to permit an increase in the maximum number of caravans on some of the sites during the year.

New Houses.

Twenty-five new houses were built by private enterprise and, in addition, two new houses were provided by conversions or divisions.

Twenty-four new Council houses were completed during the year.

Council House Applications.

There were 243 applications on the Register at the end of the year, of which 92 were from outside the Council's district. The corresponding figures at the end of 1963 were 181 and 65 respectively. The housing register is revised annually by writing to all applicants.

During 1964 roads, sewers and other services were provided for proposed extensions to the Council's housing estates at Sleights and Staithes, and building continued at Stainsacre and Grosmont. This means that the Council programme of 139 houses should help to reduce the waiting list considerably.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Ice-Cream.

There were 79 premises registered for the sale of ice-cream. All the ice-cream is manufactured outside the district and consists of well-known makes.

Meat and Other Foods.

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the district, both of which are privately-owned. The larger slaughterhouse is at Egton and slaughtering takes place every day except Thursdays, while the small slaughterhouse is part of a Bacon Factory at Ugthorpe, where slaughtering takes place on one day per week.

During the year all the animals slaughtered were inspected. The number of visits to slaughterhouses during 1964 was 541 and the number of animals slaughtered 14,167, an increase of 1,484 on the 1963 figures.

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART.

	Cattle Excluding Cows		Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
No. Killed	1,269	501	123	6,382	5,892	—	
No. Inspected	1,269	501	123	6,382	5,892	—	
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci :							
Whole Carcases con- demned	3	19	16	82	12	—	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	113	160	3	1,008	318	—	
Percentage of the No. inspected affected with diseases other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci	9.14	35.73	15.45	17.08	5.6	—	
Tuberculosis only :							
Whole carcases con- demned	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	—	—	—	—	30	—	
Percentage of the No. inspected affected with Tuberculosis ..	—	—	—	—	.51	—	
Cysticercosis :							
Whole carcases con- demned	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	14	—	—	—	—	—	
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	2	—	—	—	—	—	
Generalised and totally condemned	—	—	—	—	—	—	
—Percentage affected ..	1.26	—	—	—	—	—	

Condemned Food.

The quantity of foods of various kinds condemned during the year is given below. There was a slight decrease in the amount of meat and offal condemned compared with last year.

CONDEMNED FOOD.

	T.	C.	Qrs.	Lbs.
Meat	5	15	3	6
Offal	1	13	2	27
Chickens (frozen) ...				10
	7	9	2	15

Slaughterhouses.

Two slaughterhouses are in operation in the district. The slaughterhouse at Egton caters for some local butchers and the wholesale market on Tees-side. Another small slaughterhouse at Ugthorpe is part of a Bacon Factory.

Slaughtermen.

There are 51 slaughtermen licensed under the Slaughter of Animals Acts, 1933 and 1954, mostly for the purpose of slaughtering cottagers' pigs.

Food Premises.

The food premises consist of the types stated below :—

Provisions	65
Sweets	5
Fruit and Vegetables	5
Bread and Cakes	5
Butchers	13
Dairies	3
Fried Fish Shops	4
Licensed Premises	49
Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	15
Cafes	25
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Premises used in connection with the manufacture, storage or sale of ice-cream, preserved food, etc. were registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 as follows :—

Ice-Cream Premises	79
Butchers' Premises	13
Fish Frying	4
	—
	96
	—

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

The main provisions of this Act came into operation on 1st August 1964, and are aimed at securing the health, safety and welfare of persons employed in offices and shops. Occupiers of premises to which the Act applies had to register their premises with the Council by 31st July 1964. Many of them failed to do so and a considerable amount of work was involved in getting the register completed. The following table gives details of the registrations :—

		Persons Employed	
	Premises	Males	Females
Offices	7	19	9
Retail Shops	42	38	78
Catering Establish- ments open to the public	16	18	76
	—	—	—
	65	75	163
	—	—	—

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rodent Control.

The Council's Rodent Operator dealt with 69 properties which were infested with rats and mice, involving 77 treatments in all, and a total of 587 visits were made.

Factories.

There are 35 Factories on the Register, of which 33 use mechanical power and 2 do not. All the factories are small village businesses.

Ten inspections were made during the year.

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HEALTH IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR 1964 FOR THE
RURAL DISTRICT OF WHITBY IN THE COUNTY OF
YORK.**

**Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories
Act, 1961.**

PART I OF THE ACT.

1 — INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health
(including inspections made by Public Health
Inspectors).

Premises	Number on Register	Inspection tations	Number of Written Occupiers notices prosecuted	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	2	—	—	—
(ii) Factories not included in (1) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	33	9	1	—
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises) ..	9	1	1	—
Total	44	10	2	—

2 — Cases in which DEFECTS were found. (If defects are discovered at the premises on two, three or more separate occasions they should be reckoned as two, three or more “ cases ”).

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found:				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred to H.M. by Inspector (4)	H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	2	2	0	0	0
Overcrowding (S.2)	0	0	0	0	0
Unreasonable tempera- ture (S.3)	0	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0	0
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	0	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7):					
(a) Insufficient	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuited or defective	0	0	0	0	0
(c) Not separate for sexes	0	0	0	0	0
Other offences against the Act (not in- cluding offences re- lating to Outwork)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	2	0	0	0

There are no Outworkers in the district.

SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS.

Water Supplies	8
Drainage	648
Refuse Collection	169
Refuse Disposal	148
Salvage	39
Food Inspection	544
Food Premises	38
Housing	612
Nuisances	174
Camp Sites	94
Public Conveniences	199
Factories	10
Petroleum Storage	7
Disinfection	8
Disinfestation	6
Rodent Control	11
Miscellaneous	32
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